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POPE PAUL VI RECEIVES B'NAI B'RITH PRESIDENT; DISCUSS HUMAN RIGHTS

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ROME, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Pope Paul VI today received two B'nai B'rith leaders in a private audience for a 20-minute discussion of efforts by the United Nations and the Catholic Church to promote human rights and religious liberty. The delegation included B'nai B'rith president William A. Wexler and Saul Joftes, secretary-general of the organization's International Council. The B'nai B'rith leaders will fly to Spain tomorrow for a meeting with Generalissimo Francisco Franco, in Madrid.

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POPE-B'NAI B'RITH

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VATICAN CITY, (AP)--POPE PAUL VI RECEIVED TWO LEADERS OF B'NAI B'RITH IN PRIVATE AUDIENCE TODAY. THE PONTIFF TALKED FOR 20 MINUTES WITH THE JEWISH FRATERNITY'S INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT, DR. WILLIAM A. WEXLER OF SAVANNAH, GA., AND ITS SECRETARY-GENERAL DR. SAUL E. JOFTES OF FALLS CHURCH, VA. DR. JOFTES SAID THE DISCUSSION DEALT WITH EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY BY THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE CHURCH. DR. WEXLER HAD MET POPE PAUL DURING THE PONTIFF'S VISIT TO THE UNITED NATIONS LAST YEAR. DR. JOFTES SAID HE AND DR. WEXLER PLAN TO FLY TO SPAIN TOMORROW FOR A MEETING WITH GENERALISSIMO FRANCISCO FRANCO.

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